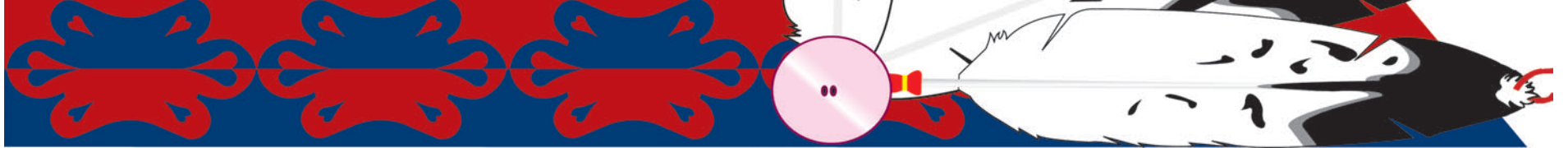


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CMN celebrates founding board members and 11th anniversary

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On Thursday, March 04, 2004 the College of Menominee Nation hosted their Founding Board Member Recognition Luncheon and celebrated their 11th Anniversary in the Cultural Learning Center of the College in Keshena, Wisconsin.

Current Menominee Indian Tribe Legislators and those who were serving when the College was established were given a place of honor. Former legislators who were not available (due to their passing on to the Spirit world) had their memory commemorated with a family member seated at the table in their place. This gesture by the College touched the hearts of those who represented their family members. Former founding Legislators included: Glen T. Miller, Chairperson, Shirley A. Daly, Vice Chairperson (represented by Lorene A. Pocan), Richard Awonohopay, Margaret Snow, Robert E. Deer, Hilary "Sparky" Waukau (represented by his daughter, Teeta Wilber), Luke Beauprey (represented by his sister, Trilby Beauprey McIntosh), and Kenneth M. "Paddo" Fish (represented by Elaine Peters).

College of Menominee Board member, Virginia Nuske extended the greeting to guests, Veterans of the Menominee Nation, founding Board members, new Board members of the College of Menominee Nation, Elaine Peters and Jeremy Pyatskowit, faculty and staff of the College.

The Veterans of the Menominee Nation presented themselves as the strong Omaeqnomenewak Semakanes (Menominee Soldiers) they are and posted colors.

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New Certified Menominee Language and Culture Teacher



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At the September 17, 2003 Tribal Legislative Meeting are I-r Menominee Tribal Chairman, Joan Delabreau; Historic Preservation Director, Dave Grignon; Ron Corn, Jr.; Cheryl Lachapelle and Kathy Waupoose. Ron received his Menominee Language and Culture Teacher License, while Cheryl and Kathy received their re-certification as Menominee Language and Culture teachers.

David J. Grignon (Nahwahquaw)
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer

On September 17, 2003, the Menominee Tribal Legislature certified Ron Corn, Jr. as a Menominee Language and Culture Teacher at the Tribal Legislature Meeting held at the Tribal Office Boardroom in Keshena. The certificate read as follows: the above mentioned individual Ron Corn, Jr. is granted all the rights and privileges under the sovereign jurisdiction of the Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin to teach the Menominee Language, Culture and History in accordance with the provisions of the Tribal Ordinance 96-22. The license is issued to said individual under the rights given by

Tribal Ordinance 96-22 Menominee Language and Culture code, Section; 1169(a) and 116(b). The certification was signed by Tribal Chairman Joan R. Delabreau and John Teller, Chairman of the Menominee Language and Culture Commission.

Ron's teacher certification exam included an oral test with elder native Menominee speakers, a section on his knowledge of Menominee language grammar and phonetics, and a test of his knowledge of Menominee history and culture.

Ron, whose Menominee name is Moshawquit or the Clear Sky, was hired as a language trainee with the Historic Preservation Department in February 2002 through a Administration for

Native Americans (ANA) Native Language Preservation grant the Historic Preservation Department received in 2001. The main purpose of the three year grant is to train tribal members to become certified Menominee language and culture teachers.

Ron and other language trainees worked closely with native speaking Menominee elders Lillian Nelson, Tillie Zhuckkahosee, Joe Beaver Gomeyosh, Sarah Skubitz, Lavina Shawano, Elsie Stevens and Theresa Picard reviewed previously recorded Menominee language tapes, and participated in several culturally related projects and studied Menominee

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